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## Loogootee to graduate 58, Shoals 41

Loogootee High School will hold their graduation on Friday, May 25, at 7 p.m. 58 students will receive diplomas.

The evening will begin with the processional by the LHS Band and opening by Julianne Bell, Senior Class President. The high school jazz choirs will then sing The National Anthem followed by "The Prayer" arranged by Teena Chinn and "Thank You" arranged by Misty Mosby.

Cora Hedrick, Senior Class Vice President, will then introduce the class speakers. The Valedictorian and Salutatorian will give speeches entitled "Chances" and "Regret" but as of publication time, they had not yet been chosen.

Jayden Wagoner, Class Treasurer, will present the slide presentation followed by "Battle Hymn of the Republic" by the LHS Band. The presentation of diplomas will then be done by Loogootee Superintendent Chip Mehaffey, High School Principal Andrea Huff and Guidance Counselor Tracy Anderson.

Mrs. Huff will then give her remarks and present the class of 2018. Closing will be done by Carson Rayhill, Class Secretary, with recessional by the LHS Band.

The LHS Class of 2018's motto is "In the end, we only regret the chances we didn't take."

by Lewis Carroll. The class flower is the white carnation.

The Loogootee 2018 graduating

class:

Ross Malcolm Adams  
Brandon Paul Armstrong  
Taiya MarLynn Armstrong  
Dylan Scott Arthur  
Julianna Elizabeth Bell  
Synthia Marrie Blevins  
Estralia Rose Brewer  
Shalyn Brynnae Bruner  
Haley Dawn Burch  
Luke William Callison  
Candice Alana Clark  
Justin Clark  
Joshua James Cook  
Monica Nicole Cowin  
Joshua Daniels  
Brandon Michael Eckerle  
Dakota Elliott  
Christopher Chase Fleming  
Adam Christopher Greene  
MKaden Scott Gregory  
Christopher Lee Hager  
Cole Davis Harmon  
Heather Nicole Harshaw  
Cora Marie Hedrick  
C. Justin W. Hellums  
Jamison Hennette  
Corbin Bryce Henninger  
Nicolas Henry  
Dalton Higdon  
Sara Lynn Hollis  
Brayden Jase Horsting  
Dylan Matthew Jones

### Commissioners discuss Four Rivers, bridge repair

The Martin County Commissioners met Tuesday, May 22.

Sherry Tredway, with Four Rivers, submitted their annual request for funding. Four Rivers Board President Noel Harty was also present.

Four Rivers serves 67 individuals in Martin County through the Healthy Families, preschool and adult services programs. They are requesting \$5,000, same as last year, however Commissioner Dan Gregory said the commissioners will put \$6,000 in their budget.

Highway Superintendent Leo Padgett asked about the status of the ordinance they had discussed requiring any driveway coming exiting to a county road have a culvert. The ordinance would require the property owner to pay for a culvert installation if the county was forced to put on in due to drainage issues. County Attorney Dave Lett said he would need to speak to Padgett more about the ordinance.

Padgett reported that CLR started work on bridge 58 on Brickyard Road today. They are putting in rebar and concrete to keep the bridge stable until funding can be secured to replace the bridge. It will take a few weeks to finish the work. The concrete on the arches under the bridge have continuously washed out causing serious damage.

Sheriff Travis Roush was unable to attend the meeting however he left a report that there are currently 84 inmates in the jail, 21 of them are from Vigo County.

The courthouse will be closed Monday, May 28 for Memorial Day.



**SUZANNA SCOTT**  
Shoals Class of 2018 Valedictorian

Lane Austin Keller  
Zachary Blade Koenig  
Jordan Michael Leatherman  
Marina Jewel Lents  
Zachary John Lythgoe  
Savannah Hasler McAtee  
Kristin Elizabeth Norris  
Jalen Michael Pearson  
Brianna Jane Price  
Carson Jack Rayhill  
Brycen Daniel Wayne Reinhart  
Kimberly Anne Faye Rogers  
Jody Rene Seals  
Leighton Seals  
Halle Rose Sheetz  
Kaitlin Cheyenne Sims  
Elizabeth Mae Stoll  
Megan Lynn Street  
Kayla Ann Taylor  
Jayden Niklaus Wagoner  
Olivia Grace Wells



**ABIGAIL STOLL**  
Shoals Class of 2018 Salutatorian

Emily Christine Whitworth  
Cade Joseph Wilcoxon  
Christopher Jaye Wilson  
Austin Dale Woody  
Karika Jakole Young

Shoals High School will hold their commencement ceremonies on Saturday, May 26, beginning at 2 p.m. 41 students will be receiving diplomas. The afternoon will begin with a processional arranged by Edward Elgar and performed by the high school band and followed by the National Anthem.

The welcome speech will be given by Robert Bough, Senior Class Secretary and the invocation will be done by Graham Montgomery.

"The Best of Journey," arranged by Paul Murtha, will be played by (See 'GRADUATION' on page 2)

## Martin County's jobless rate at 2.4 percent for April

Martin County's unemployment ticked down to 2.4 percent in April, from 2.6 percent the month before. The county had the 13<sup>th</sup> lowest jobless rate in the state for April, tied with Hendricks, Wells, Jackson and Whitley counties.

In April, the county had 5,091 residents in the workforce and 124 of them were unemployed. In March, there were 5,077 residents able to work and 132 of them were without jobs. In April of 2017, Martin County's jobless rate was 2.6 percent with 5,095 residents in the workforce and 135 of them unemployed.

Daviess County's jobless rate also dropped, moving from 2.5 percent in March to 2.2 percent in April. The county had the fourth lowest jobless rate in the state for April, tied with five other counties.

In April, the county had 15,940 residents in the workforce with 358 of them unemployed. In March, there were 15,952 residents in the workforce and 406 of them were without jobs. In April of last year, Daviess County's jobless rate was 2.1 percent with 15,850 residents in the workforce and 340 of them unemployed.

Dubois County's unemployment rate

dropped from 2.3 percent in March to 2 percent in April. The county had the lowest jobless rate in the state for April, tied with Elkhart and LaGrange counties.

In April, the county had 23,158 residents in the workforce and 469 of them were unemployed. In March, there were 23,091 residents able to work and 527 of them were without jobs. In April of 2017, Dubois County's unemployment rate was 2.1 percent with 23,057 residents able to work and 484 of them without jobs.

Greene County's unemployment rate dropped quite a bit in April to 3.7 percent, down from 4.4 percent the month before. The county had the ninth highest jobless rate in the state for April.

In April, the county had 13,531 residents in the workforce with 505 of them unemployed. In March, there were 13,463 residents able to work and 599 of them without jobs. In April of 2017, Greene County's unemployment rate was 4.1 percent with 13,607 residents able to work and 556 of them without jobs.

The top ten spots in the state for the lowest unemployment for April were LaGrange, Elkhart and Dubois counties (See 'RATE' on page 2)



### Local Legion Post to visit cemeteries

The American Legion Post 120 will again visit several cemeteries on Memorial Day, including:

- 9 a.m. - Burn City Cemetery;
- 9:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Cemetery, Bramble;
- 10 a.m. - St. Mary Cemetery, Barr Township;
- 10:30 a.m. - Goodwill Cemetery;
- 11:15 a.m. - St. John Cemetery, Loogootee;
- 12:15 p.m. - St. Martin Cemetery, Whitfield;
- 12:45 p.m. - Truelove Cemetery;
- 1:30 p.m. - South Martin Cemetery

There are many more cemeteries, both large and small, where veterans are interred, but time is limited, and the Legion members who are members of the Ceremonial Unit also want to spend time with their families and enjoy the holiday.



## 135th Anniversary

-Photo provided

On Sunday, May 20, Hindostan United Methodist Church celebrated 135 years of worship. With current Pastor Marty Evans standing in front, including past pastors in back, from left to right, Gerald Frye, Mike Strawn, and Bill Kidwell. Each one gave a speech about the church during their term as pastor. The church was so full fold up chairs had to be placed in the aisle and going back in time reminiscing, the AC unit decided it would as well, so fans were brought to the front of the church. Many elders were honored during the service as well as Sam and Leah Albaugh, who donated the land for the church many years ago. A spray of flowers was prayed over during the service and then placed on their tombstone in honor. A lunch was provided after the service with many attending.

## RATE

(Continued from page one) ties at 2 percent; Steuben, Kosciusko, Gibson, Daviess, Bartholomew and Adams counties at 2.2 percent; and Hamilton, DeKalb, and Boone counties at 2.3 percent.

The top ten spots in the state for the highest unemployment for April were Vermillion County at 4.8 percent, Lake County at 4.4 percent, Fayette County at 4.1 percent, LaPorte, Starke and Sullivan counties at 3.9 percent; Crawford and Newton counties at 3.8 percent, Greene County at 3.7 percent, and Miami, Orange, Owen, Switzerland and Vigo counties at 3.6 percent.

Indiana's unemployment rate stands at 3.2 percent for April and remains lower than the national rate of 3.9 percent. With the exception of one month when it was equal (October 2014), Indiana's unemployment rate now has been below the U.S. rate for more than four years. The monthly unemployment rate is a U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) indicator that reflects the number of unemployed people seeking employment within the prior four weeks as a percentage of the labor force.

Indiana's labor force had a net increase of 11,655 over the previous

month. This was a result of a 737 increase in unemployed residents and an increase of 10,918 employed residents. Indiana's total labor force, which includes both Hoosiers employed and those seeking employment, stands at 3.33 million, and the state's 64.0 percent labor force participation rate remains above the national rate of 62.8 percent.

In addition, Indiana's initial unemployment insurance claims continue to be at historical lows.

Learn more about how unemployment rates are calculated here: <http://www.hoosierdata.in.gov/infographics/employment-status.asp>.

Employment by Sector  
Private sector employment has grown by more than 23,900 over the year, and has decreased by 7,000 over the previous month, primarily due to losses in the Trade, Transportation and Utilities (-2,500) and the Construction (-2,300) sectors. Losses were partially offset by gains in the Other (1,200), which includes Mining and Logging, IT and Other Services, and the Manufacturing (400) sectors. Total private employment stands at 2,698,400 and is 9,500 above the December 2017 peak.



## East Main Street fire

-Photo by Pat Daugherty

Loogootee Fire was paged out to a house fire on East Main Street in Loogootee last Thursday. No one was injured. Cannelburg Fire also assisted.



-Photo by Courtney Hughett

CLR, of Vincennes, started Tuesday afternoon making repairs to bridge 58 on Brickyard Road. The cost of the work is \$42,000. The bridge was originally installed in 1848 and reconstructed in 1913. The current repairs will extend the life of the bridge until the county can apply for federal aid to have it replaced.

## GRADUATION

(Continued from page one) the band followed by "Just Believe," by Pinkzebra, performed by the high school choir.

The Salutatorian, Abigail Stoll, will then speak, followed by the Valedictorian Suzanna Scott. A historian speech will then be given by Amelia Cooper, Senior Class Historian.

A video presentation of the Class of 2018 will be done by Macey Way.

Jessica Hert, guidance counselor, will then present the class of 2018 and diplomas will be presented by High School Principal Kindra Hovis and Superintendent Dr. Candace Roush. Dr. Roush will then give the acceptance of the class.

A farewell address will be given by Abigail Stoll, Senior Class President, along with the turning of the tassels. Junior Class President Klayton Tichenor and Junior Class Vice President Ashley Albright will present the class flower, the white daisy.

At the end of the ceremony the band will perform the recessional arranged by Edward Elgar.

The Shoals High School Class of 2018 motto is "Together, we have experienced life. Separately, we will pursue our dreams. Forever, our memories will remain." The class colors are blue, blue and silver.

- Shoals Class of 2018:  
 Faith Desarae Abel  
 Avory Sue Bauernfiend  
 Michael Chase Bengé  
 Ovaughn Maurice Boshey  
 Robert William Bough  
 Samuel Linus Bruner  
 Lexus Diane Bussell  
 Benjamin Drake Clymer  
 Katelyn Nichole Conrad  
 Amelia Marie Cooper  
 Kaitlin Renee Cooper  
 Sara Lenae Craft  
 HayLee Rose Davis  
 Cole Alan Diamond  
 Taylor Michelle George  
 Dylan Lee Hembree  
 Colin Michael Hoffman  
 Brittany Nicole James  
 Damon Brian Jones  
 Jason Ryan King  
 Aaron Joseph Lents

- Gabrielle Nicole McCarty  
 Mitch Dean McKibben  
 Graham Marold Montgomery  
 Neal Patrick Moore-Neideffer  
 Mekah Cheyenne Terry  
 Dalton Lance Parr  
 Zhenya Ryan Salmon  
 Caleb Michael Sanders  
 Justin Scott Sanders  
 Joanna Renee Schnarr  
 Suzanna Moon Scott  
 Hope Elaine Self  
 Abigail Ruby Stoll  
 Kendra Michelle Troutman  
 Phillip David Troutman  
 Craig Austin Tuttle  
 Dayton Russell Watson  
 Dejah Love Watson  
 Macey Marie Way  
 Breonda Mae Yarberry



## Carter's 5K donation

-Photo by Courtney Hughett

Alyssa Kerns (shown right) donated \$132 to the Martin County Humane Society from proceeds made from registrations at the annual Carter's Legacy 5K, held last weekend at West Boggs Park. Shown on the right is Humane Society President Josh Hughett.

# Obituaries

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## DORIS PAULINE SEALS

Doris Pauline Seals entered the gates of Heaven on May 15, 2018. A resident of Yakima, Washington, she was 91. She left this world peacefully at home with her family by her side.

She was born in Shoals on October 8, 1926; daughter of Dewey and Marie (Canfield) Hawkins. She had three brothers, Floyd, Roy, and Alvin Hawkins; and one sister, Francis Hickman.

After graduating from Shoals High School in 1945, Pauline worked as a secretary until her marriage to Max Seals on February 23, 1946. Leaving friends and family behind, they traveled by car from Indiana to Washington state to begin a new life together. Settling in Yakima, she raised her five children, Rose, Fred, Rita, Betty, and Mike using love and faith as her guide.

Pauline loved to cook and bake. Her cookie jar was always full and she was famous for her delicious pies. She never met a recipe she didn't want to try. Hers was the house where all the neighborhood kids gathered. She was a good friend, a great listener, and a selfless woman who was always understanding of the problems of others.

Pauline was an excellent storyteller. She entertained her children and grandchildren over the years with stories about growing up with her siblings in rural Indiana, her travels around the United States and abroad, and her day-to-day adventures around town.

She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church and active in The Legion of Mary for many years. Later, she became a Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound. She loved her "people" whom she visited each week. This was a true calling for her and she made many friends through this ministry

over the years.

Pauline was a gentle woman with a sweet disposition who lived her life as her faith taught her, "love one another as I have loved you." Her kindness and generosity were shown to friends and strangers alike. She was loved by many.

She was preceded in death by her parents, siblings, and an infant grandson, Sean Hurley.

She is survived by her children, Rose (Bob) Love, Fred Seals, Rita (Scott) Larson, Betty (Don) Vicena, and Mike Seals; her grandchildren Robert Love, Kirstie (Ray) Turowski, Dr. Kevin (Julia) Seals, Megan Hurley, Shea Hurley, Adam Simons, Sam Heilman, and Shelby Seals; and great grandchildren Alina and Leah Turowski. All of whom will miss her greatly.

A Prayer Vigil will be held at 6 p.m., Thursday, May 24, 2018 in the Chapel at Holy Family Catholic Church. Mass of Christian Burial will be Friday, May 25, at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel. Private burial will be at Terrace Heights Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to Holy Family Catholic Church (5315 Tieton Drive, Yakima, Washington) in Pauline's name. In memory of Pauline go to [www.keithandkeith.com](http://www.keithandkeith.com).

## DAN EDINGTON

Daniel Lee "Dan" Edington passed away on May 15, 2018 in I.U. Methodist Hospital in Indianapolis. A resident of Martin County, he was 68.

He was born January 13, 1950; the son of Noah and Gretchen (Bales) Edington. He married Mary Anne Wegner on November 28, 1970.

He graduated from Bloomington South High School in 1968. Dan worked as a Monroe County Deputy until 1978 and was awarded "Police-man of the Year" in 1974. After retiring from the police department, he followed his passion of photography, opening his own photography studio in 1978 in Bloomington. He and his brother Steve also operated a VCR/TV repair business in Bloomington.

When Dan retired, he and his wife moved to Martin County.

He is survived by his wife Mary Anne, their daughter, Wendy of Bloomington; his father, Noah Edington; his two brothers, Steve (Audrey) Edington and Joe (Barbara) Edington and his sister, Susie (Cemal) Dodds-Silay, all of Bloomington.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Gretchen; mother-in-law, Theresa Wegner; brother-in-law, James Wegner; and his nephew, Tommy Wegner.

A memorial service and visitation for Dan will be held in Deremiah-Frye Mortuary, Greene & Harrell Chapel, 700 W. Gourley Pike, Bloomington, Indiana 47404 on Wednesday, May 30 from 3-4 p.m. with the service beginning at 4 p.m.

Online condolences may be given to the family at [www.DeremiahFryeMortuary.com](http://www.DeremiahFryeMortuary.com).

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## Mother-Daughter Tea

-Photo provided

The ladies of Parkview Village enjoyed the annual Mother-Daughter Tea on Friday, May 11. The guest speaker was Marsha Bean-Wagler who presented a special challenge to all those present and led the group in many old songs. Refreshments included floral cupcakes, finger foods, fruit salad and cookies served along with the tea. A photograph nook was created and pictures taken for all those wanting a special memory.

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## Martin County Sheriff's Department log

### MONDAY, MAY 14

2:04 a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle east of Shoals. Deputy Reed responded.

7:28 a.m. - Received a report of a strong odor of smoke at a home in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire, Loogootee Officer Floyd, and Martin County Ambulance responded.

8:00 a.m. - Received a report of harassment in Shoals. Sheriff Roush spoke with the individual.

10:55 a.m. - Received a report of illegal parking in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

12:53 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance near Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:36 p.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist on US 50 near Loogootee.

1:40 p.m. - Received a report of a break-in north of Loogootee. Captain Dant responded.

2:05 p.m. - Received a request for lift assistance north of Shoals. Williams Fire responded.

4:19 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:38 p.m. - Received a report of an unruly teenager in Crane. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

### TUESDAY, MAY 15

6:30 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance, Loogootee Fire, and Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded. No one was transported.

7:20 a.m. - Captain Dant and Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist on US 50, east of Loogootee.

7:46 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Shoals. Sheriff Roush, Captain Dant, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

8:49 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

8:49 a.m. - The Shoals School LEAD program participated in a tour and presentation at the Martin County Security Center.

9:15 a.m. - ISP Trooper Lents assisted a motorist near Shoals.

12:15 p.m. - Sheriff Roush performed a vehicle unlock in Shoals.

1:35 p.m. - Chief Deputy Greene assisted an elderly lady that was locked out of her house and car north of Shoals.

8:37 p.m. - Received a dog complaint in Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

11:05 p.m. - Received a report of a tree down near Loogootee. Martin County Civil Defense responded.

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

12:26 a.m. - Received a report of a possible gas leak in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded and all was okay.

9:20 a.m. - Received a report of vandalism at east of Shoals. Captain Dant responded.

9:25 a.m. - Sheriff Roush took one inmate to court.

9:58 a.m. - Captain Dant took three inmates to court.

11:20 a.m. - Captain Dant took one inmate to court.

11:45 a.m. - Received a request for a welfare check in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

8:25 p.m. - Received a report of

cows out near Shoals. The owner was contacted.

### THURSDAY, MAY 17

3:17 a.m. - Received a noise complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd responded.

5:07a.m. - Received a report of a suspicious vehicle in Loogootee. Deputy Shinn responded.

6:57 a.m. - Received a report of a house fire in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill, Captain Dant, Deputy Shinn, Loogootee Fire, and Cannelburg Fire responded.

9:15 a.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to the doctor.

11:04 a.m. - Captain Dant assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

11:45 a.m. - Received a report of a disturbance east of Shoals. Chief Deputy Greene responded.

12:15 p.m. - Received a report of a car-deer accident on US 50. Captain Dant responded.

12:30 p.m. - The Loogootee 5<sup>th</sup> grade LEAD group toured the Martin County Security Center.

2:52 p.m. - Received a report of a theft in Loogootee. Loogootee Chief Rayhill responded.

4:00 p.m. - Received several reports of cows out on US 50, west of Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded.

4:25 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:28 p.m. - Received a report of a reckless driver near Loogootee. Loogootee Officer Floyd and Major Burkhardt responded.

8:16 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

10:06 p.m. - Received a request for assistance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance responded but did not transport.

### FRIDAY, MAY 18

7:15 a.m. - Received a report of cows on US 50. Major Burkhardt responded.

8:20 a.m. - Received a report of a vehicle running a school bus arm. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

9:41 a.m. - Major Burkhardt took one inmate to court.

9:42 a.m. - Jail Commander Abel took one inmate to court.

11:38 a.m. - Sheriff Roush assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

12:53 p.m. - Major Burkhardt took two inmates to court.

12:54 p.m. - Received a request for a welfare check north of Shoals. Reserve Deputy Kidwell responded.

1:26 p.m. - Received a report of theft near Shoals. Major Burkhardt responded. Loogootee Chief Rayhill is working the case.

1:50 p.m. - Received a report of a fire in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire responded.

3:19 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to IU Health in Bedford.

6:39 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance east of Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

10:20 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance north of Shoals. Williams Fire, Shoals Fire, and Martin

County Ambulance responded.

### SATURDAY, MAY 19

10:06 a.m. - Received a dog complaint north of Shoals. Animal Control Officer Hughett responded.

11:00 a.m. - Received a report of a child playing in the street in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

11:32 a.m. - Received a trash complaint in Loogootee. Loogootee Captain Hennette responded.

11:41 a.m. - Major Burkhardt assisted with a motorcycle ride near Shoals.

12:51 p.m. - Received a report of a motorcycle accident near Loogootee. Sheriff Roush, Chief Deputy Greene, Loogootee Captain Hennette, ISP Trooper Lents, Loogootee Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

1:00 p.m. - Received a report of a car fire east of Shoals. Shoals Fire, Major Burkhardt, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

3:46 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Jasper Memorial Hospital.

6:13 p.m. - Received a request for an

## Foot patrol results in arrest of three on methamphetamine charges

On Monday, May 21, at 12:05 a.m., Martin County Sheriff's Office Deputy Tyler Reed was on foot patrol on an access lane off of Spout Springs Road in Shoals. Deputy Reed observed an occupied vehicle in the parking area at the end of the lane. He was able to get close enough, undetected, to observe for several minutes the occupants pass back and forth, among one another, and smoke from a glass smoking device. Deputy Reed recognized the device as being commonly used to ingest methamphetamine. Deputy Reed then made contact with the subjects, and also smelled the odor of marijuana. He observed the smoking device in the hand of the subject in the front passenger seat and confiscated the item. Residue in the smoking device field tested positive for methamphetamine. Deputy Reed then detained the subjects, Russell J. Tussey, Timothy C. Troutman, and Ashton V. Pottorff, and requested that Loogootee Sgt. Rick Norris assist him.

A search of the vehicle resulted in officers locating a pill bottle containing a white crystal substance that field tested positive for methamphetamine, a hand-rolled cigarette containing a green leafy plant-like substance that field tested positive for marijuana, and a glass smoking device containing a burnt residue with the odor of burnt marijuana. Officers also located a second hand-rolled cigarette containing a green leafy plant-like substance that field tested positive for marijuana in Mr. Pottorff's pocket. All three were arrested and transported to the Martin County Security Center.

### Charges:

Russell J. Tussey, 30, Shoals: maintaining a common nuisance, possession of methamphetamine, possession of paraphernalia

Timothy C. Troutman, 21, Shoals: possession of methamphetamine, visiting a common nuisance, possession

of marijuana, and possession of paraphernalia

### SUNDAY, MAY 20

3:41 a.m. - Received a report of an accident near Shoals. Deputy Reed, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

10:28 a.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Martin County Ambulance transported the subject to Daviess Community Hospital.

5:00 p.m. - Received a report of an accident on SR 450 near Shoals. Sergeant Keller, Shoals Fire, and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

7:22 p.m. - Deputy Reed assisted a motorist with a vehicle unlock in Loogootee.

8:30 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. No one was transported.

10:00 p.m. - Received a request for an ambulance in Loogootee. Loogootee Fire and Martin County Ambulance responded. The subject was transported to Daviess Community Hospital.

of marijuana, and possession of paraphernalia

Ashton V. Pottorff, 21, Shoals: possession of methamphetamine, visiting a common nuisance, possession of marijuana, and possession of paraphernalia

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# COURT NEWS

## CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS AND SENTENCINGS

**April 5**

Craig A. Bell, convicted of residential entry, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 539 days suspended and credit for 4 actual days previously served plus 4 Class A credit days. Defendant received 17 months of probation.

**April 16**

Kent D. Bradley, convicted of operating while intoxicated, a Class A Misdemeanor and operating while intoxicated with previous conviction within 5 years. Sentenced to serve 2 years as direct commitment to Martin County Community Corrections with 0 days suspended and credit for 3 actual days served and 3 Class A credit days.

**April 17**

Billy J. Craft, convicted of auto theft, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days with 293 days suspended and credit for 127 actual days previously served plus 127 Class A credit days. Defendant received 8 months of probation.

**April 19**

Kenneth D. Campbell, convicted of dealing in methamphetamine, a Class 2 Felony. Sentenced to serve 6 years as direct commitment to Martin County Community Corrections with credit for 37 actual days served plus 13 Class A credit days and 353 days served through pretrial release and 89 Class P credit days.

Amber M. Barber, convicted of possession of methamphetamine, a Class 5 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days at the Martin County Security Center with 525 days suspended and credit for 11 actual days previously served plus 11 Class A credit days. Defendant received 17 months of probation.

Noah J. Cox, convicted of domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 365 days at the Martin County Security Center with 289 days suspended and credit for 38 actual days previously served plus 38 Class A credit days. Defendant received 9 months of probation.

Hunter W. Davis, convicted of possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 180 days at the Martin County Security Center with 166 days suspended and credit for 7 actual days previously served plus 7 Class A credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

Travis A. Souerdike, convicted of strangulation, a Class 6 Felony. Sentenced to serve 547 days at the Martin County Security Center with 541 days suspended and credit for 3 actual days previously served plus 3 Class A credit days. Defendant received 17 months of probation.

Katharina E. Tuell, convicted of criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 180 days at the Martin County Security Center with 134 days suspended and credit for 23 actual days previously served

plus 23 Class A credit days. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

**May 2**

Cole A. Diamond, convicted of operating a vehicle with a schedule I or II controlled substance or its metabolite in the body, a Class C Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days with 58 days suspended and credit for 1 actual day previously served plus 1 Class A credit day. Defendant received 9 months of probation.

**May 7**

Prestin J. Hart, convicted of operating while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor. Sentenced to serve 60 days with 58 days suspended and credit for 1 actual day previously served plus 1 Class A credit day. Defendant received 11 months of probation.

## CRIMINAL CHARGES DISMISSED

**April 5**

Craig A. Bell, battery resulting in bodily injury, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

**April 17**

Billy J. Craft, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

**April 19**

Amber M. Barber, neglect of a dependent, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Kenneth D. Campbell, possession of methamphetamine, a Class 4 Felony, dismissed; maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; carrying a handgun without a license, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of marijuana, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Hunter W. Davis, maintaining a common nuisance – controlled substances, a Class 6 Felony, dismissed; possession of paraphernalia, a Class C Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Travis A. Souerdike, domestic battery, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; resisting law enforcement, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed; criminal mischief, a Class B Misdemeanor, dismissed.

Katharina E. Tuell, burglary, a Class 5 Felony, dismissed.

**May 2**

Cole A. Diamond, operating a vehicle while intoxicated endangering a person, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

**May 7**

Prestin J. Hart, operating a vehicle with an ACE of .15 or more, a Class A Misdemeanor, dismissed.

## CIVIL COURT New Suits Filed

**May 10**

Personal Finance Company LLC vs. Travis Holman and Hannah Smoot, civil collection.

Jessica R. Asher vs. Brian K. Asher, petition for dissolution of marriage.

**May 11**

Amy K. Qualkenbush vs. Eric G. Qualkenbush, petition for dissolution of marriage.

**May 14**

Heights Finance Corporation vs. Kristina S. Harbison, civil collection.

**May 15**

Trenady S. Miller vs. Thomas J. Miller, petition for dissolution of marriage.

## CIVIL COURT JUDGMENTS

**May 2**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Bank of America and against the defendant Terri Gammon in the amount of \$3,378.28.

**May 11**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Crane Credit Union and against the defendant Christian Going in the amount of \$8,008.85.

## SMALL CLAIMS COURT

### New Suits Filed

**May 9**

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Sarah N. Yager, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Magdalen R. Arvin, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Joanna M. Hurst, complaint.

Hoosier Accounts Service vs. Wade L. Hurdle, Jr., complaint.

Midland Funding, LLC vs. John Hill, complaint.

**May 10**

Toy's Auto Parts vs. Tony Schantz, complaint.

**May 11**

Hoosier Uplands vs. Robin Stoll, complaint.

Marie Truelove vs. Danny Arthur, complaint.

## Martin County real estate transfers

**Donald R. Swartzentruber and Laura Swartzentruber**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Keith Graber and Remington Graber**, of Daviess County, Indiana, part of the southwest quarter of Section 30, Township 3 North, Range 4 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 2.676 acres, more or less.

**Howard P. Overton**, of Wilson County, Tennessee to **Justin Davis and Chloe Davis**, of Martin County, Indiana, a part of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of Section 25, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing 0.21 acres, more or less.

**Dylan D. Stoll and Mallorie E. Layton**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Dylan D. Stoll and Mallorie E. Stoll**, of Martin County, Indiana, Lot Number 3 in the First North Addition to the Town, now City of Loogootee, Indiana.

**Sharon Chaney**, of Greene County, Indiana to **Mary L. Gallagher and Austin Gene Chaney**, of Greene County, Indiana, a portion of the northeast quarter of Section 6, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, in Center Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.22 acres.

**Mary A. Truelove, n/k/a Mary A. Stogsdill**, of Hendricks County, Indiana to **Michael J. Hopkins and Karen A. Hopkins**, of Martin County, Indiana, 8 acres, more or less, in Section 20, Township 3 North, Range 3 West, Martin County, Indiana.

**May 14**

Isha Wright-Ryan vs. Jesse Sircy, complaint.

Isha Wright-Ryan vs. Stephanie Neukam, complaint.

**May 15**

Isha Wright-Ryan vs. Ethan Crites, complaint.

Isha Wright-Ryan vs. Kyle Coleman, complaint.

## SMALL CLAIMS JUDGMENTS

**May 2**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Melissa F. Graber in the amount of \$6,118.74.

**May 8**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Logan Smith in the amount of \$533.71.

**May 9**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Hoosier Accounts Service and against the defendant Andrew Ray in the amount of \$533.71.

**May 11**

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Nicholas H. Dosch in the amount of \$387.91.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Melissa Godfrey in the amount of \$427.71.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Rowdy Grace in the amount of \$424.42.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Michael Kinnison in the amount of \$393.03.

Judgment in favor of the plaintiff Medical of Dubois and against the defendant Desiree Stephens in the amount of \$419.13.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES

**May 17**

James Kurtis Williams of Mitchell and Terri Leeann Allbright of Odon.

**Wayne J. Armstrong and Gianna M. Armstrong**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Gianna M. Armstrong**, of Martin County, Indiana, a portion of Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, containing 0.05 acre, more or less.

**Ronald E. Payne and Kathleen E. Payne**, of Martin County, Indiana to **State of Indiana**, a part of the west half of the northeast quarter of Section 13, Township 2 North, Range 3 West, Halbert Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.044 acres, more or less.

**Richard A. Graves and Elizabeth S. Graves**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Zachary L. Wittmann**, of Dubois County, Indiana, a portion of the east half of the southeast quarter of Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 5 West in Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.52 acres, more or less. Also, a portion of the east half of the southeast quarter of Section 13, Township 3 North, Range 5 West in Perry Township, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.26 acres, more or less.

**Lance M. Bledsoe**, of Martin County, Indiana to **Brandon J. Graber**, of Daviess County, Indiana, a portion of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 24, Township 3 North, Range 5 West, Martin County, Indiana, containing 0.30 acres, more or less.

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# Loogootee Police log

## MONDAY, MAY 14

7:28 a.m. - Caller reported seeing smoke on US 231 North. Loogootee Fire was paged out.

10:55 a.m. - Caller reported someone blocking the road near Shaded Estates.

3:15 p.m. - Caller reported a suspended driver.

7:30 p.m. - Female came on station to request a welfare check on a male.

10:33 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

## TUESDAY, MAY 15

6:30 a.m. - First responders were requested on Crane Street for a medical call.

10:01 a.m. - Caller reported a suspicious person on JFK Avenue.

3:14 p.m. - Male requested a vehicle identification check.

8:33 p.m. - Sgt. Norris responded to a business alarm.

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

12:26 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was dispatched to a possible gas leak on Wildman Road.

9:38 a.m. - Chief Rayhill tagged an abandoned vehicle on Queen Street.

11:01 a.m. - Chief Rayhill responded to a business alarm.

11:45 a.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

4:54 p.m. - Caller reported kids going through mailboxes on US 231.

6:55 p.m. - Caller requested a welfare check on a female.

## THURSDAY, MAY 17

3:17 a.m. - Caller reported loud music on Bridgewater Street.

6:57 a.m. - Loogootee Fire was paged out to a house fire on East Main Street.

2:50 p.m. - Male reported threats.

2:52 p.m. - Caller reported a theft from Marathon.

6:28 p.m. - Caller reported a reck-

less driver on Hwy 50.

7:05 p.m. - Caller reported a dispute on Park Street.

10:01 p.m. - First responders were requested on Boston Street for a medical call.

10:09 p.m. - Caller reported loud music on West Williams Street.

11:38 p.m. - First responders were requested at Larkin Apartments for a medical alarm.

## FRIDAY, MAY 18

8:20 a.m. - Caller reported a stop arm violation on North Line Street.

12:47 p.m. - Caller reported a bank fraud case.

6:42 p.m. - First responders were requested on Hwy 50 for a medical call.

8:46 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on Hwy 50.

## SATURDAY, MAY 19

8:15 a.m. - Captain Hennette responded to a business alarm.

11:00 a.m. - Caller reported a small child in the road on North Line Street.

11:32 a.m. - Caller reported trash in a ditch on Lincoln Avenue.

12:51 p.m. - First responders were requested on US 231 for a vehicle accident.

3:46 p.m. - First responders were requested on NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Street for a medical call.

8:46 p.m. - Caller reported a speeding vehicle on US 231.

## SUNDAY, MAY 20

8:49 a.m. - Caller reported a reckless driver on Hwy 50.

6:39 p.m. - Caller reported a dog complaint on West Washington Street.

8:35 p.m. - First responders were requested on JFK Avenue for a medical call.

10:10 p.m. - First responders were requested on Vincennes Street for a medical call.

# Jury trial ends in conviction of Shoals man

On May 15, 2018 a jury trial was held in the Martin Circuit Court. Andrew J. Stone, 34, of Shoals, was convicted of resisting law enforcement with a vehicle, a Level 6 Felony and battery on a public safety official resulting in bodily injury, a Level 5 Felony.

On January 18, 2018 Major Andy Burkhardt with the Martin County Sheriff's Office was on duty and attempting to serve civil process. He passed Mr. Stone and observed Stone driving a vehicle. Major Burkhardt believed Stone was driving on a suspended license. He also saw a passenger in the vehicle who Stone was prohibited from having contact with as the result of a Martin Circuit Court order. Major Burkhardt contacted dispatch and was able to confirm both that Stone had a suspended license and that the no contact order was also valid.

Major Burkhardt was unable to immediately stop Stone because Major Burkhardt was serving the civil process and he needed to confirm that Stone was suspended and that there was a valid protective order. Major Burkhardt also contacted Sheriff Travis Roush and advised him of the situation. Sheriff Roush began a search for Stone. After completing the service of civil process Major Burkhardt also began searching for Stone.

After about an hour Sheriff Roush passed Stone, who was still operating

the vehicle on Sherfick School Road, east of Shoals. Sheriff Roush executed a three-point turn, activated his emergency lights, and began pursuing Stone. Stone fled east on Sherfick School Road and did not stop until Stone reached his residence. Stone and Sheriff Roush got out of their respective vehicles. Sheriff Roush ordered Stone to stop. Instead Stone fled towards his residence. Sheriff Roush pursued Stone on foot. Stone got to his residence and entered the residence with Sheriff Roush immediately behind him. Stone attempted to close the door while Sheriff Roush blocked the door with his foot. Stone slammed the door on Sheriff Roush's foot and ankle. Roush struggled with Stone in an attempt to get the door open. Major Burkhardt arrived and both officers were able to make entry and arrest Stone. Sheriff Roush suffered abrasions to his hand and ankle as well as bruising and swelling to his ankle.

"We were obviously pleased with the verdict. In this age we simply cannot tolerate individuals fleeing from police officers or physically resisting them. These officers have dangerous jobs and that behavior is completely unacceptable," said Martin County Prosecutor Mike Steiner. The State of Indiana was represented by Steiner and the defendant by Paul Schneider. Sentencing has been set for June 28, at 1 p.m.

# ARRESTS

## MONDAY, MAY 14

11:49 a.m. - Allen Tuttle, 62, of Shoals, was arrested by Captain Dant and charged with invasion of privacy and is being held without bond. Assisting with the arrest were Sheriff Roush and Chief Deputy Greene.

8:35 p.m. - Jasmine Harner, 22, of Shoals, was arrested by ISP Trooper Ewing on a Martin County warrant. She is being held on a \$25,000 10% bond.

## TUESDAY, MAY 15

3:52 p.m. - Robin Higgs, 38, of

Mitchell, was arrested by ISP Trooper Lents on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond.

## WEDNESDAY, MAY 16

12:50 p.m. - Brandon Chastain, 31, of Mitchell, was arrested by Chief Deputy Greene on a Martin County warrant and is being held without bond. Jailer Lents assisted with the arrest.

5:20 p.m. - Michael Sluder, 40, of Mitchell, was arrested by ICO Doane and charged with driving while suspended prior and is being held without bond.



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## -- MEMORIAL DAY --

This weekend we celebrate Memorial Day. It is a time when people across America pause to reflect on the supreme sacrifice made by American soldiers who have died in service to our nation. It is a particularly meaningful holiday for those who have loved ones who died in military service.

Memorial Day has its origins back to May 5, 1868 when General John A. Logan called for a nationwide day of remembrance on May 30, 1868. The day's purpose was to decorate the graves of their comrades who died in defense of their country as a result of the Civil War. At that time, it was called Decoration Day. It has only been with- in the last 50 years that the day was officially recognized by our government as Memorial Day.

## -- MEMORIALS --

To memorialize a loved one is an important part of any family's, and their friends', grieving process. Memorials are a way that families can remember and pay tribute to loved ones who have passed on. Memorials allow a person to be remembered for years to come.

A memorial tells the family that while their loved one may be gone, his or her memory and spirit lives on. They will be forever tied together in the circle of life, that the loved one's life mattered and will continue to matter. Their acts of goodness, kindness and courage will never be forgotten. A memorial is a way to remember a loved one forever.

## -- GIFTS TO CHARITIES --

There are several ways to remember our loved ones, some of which are headstones or grave markers, memorialization urns, statues, plants, flag cases, acts of kindness, writing a heartfelt letter to the family, or a donation to a charity.

When making a donation as a memorial or tribute to a loved one, you need

to be sure that it is made to a charity that honors that person. In obituaries you will often see the phrase "in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions/donations may be made to...". This identifies where to make your donation as a memorial. If you do, you need to do this in a timely fashion (within 10 days after the funeral), so that the family can include you when writing thank you notes.

If a charitable organization was not specified, then choose one that may have been a favorite charity of the deceased, or perhaps a medical research organization if they passed on from an illness.

## -- MCCF FUNDS --

The Martin County Community Foundation has several funds that will let your memorial donation, and the spirit of your loved one, live on forever. The MCCF funds will always be used for future assistance to our local community needs, whether they be for a cemetery, a library, church or other charitable organization, certain areas of interest, or a variety of scholarships.

And if you are not sure which specific fund or need to donate toward, the MCCF has several unrestricted funds that have the flexibility to address the emerging and changing needs in our community, today and tomorrow.

## -- MORE INFORMATION --

If you would like to find out what funds are available to let the memory of your loved one live on forever, please contact the MCCF Executive Director, Curt Johnson, at 812-295-1022 or [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org).

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## Lady Lions Tennis fall in Sectional opener

The Loogootee Varsity Girls' Tennis Team was defeated in the first round of the Sectional last week. The Lady Lions fell to Barr-Reeve 1-4. The girls finished the season with a record of 14-3.

Head Coach Mike Tippery said after the matches, "Both Sectional matches were a lot closer than the 4-1 scores indicate. In order to win Sectional, I knew it would come down to whoever played best on that given day. Barr-Reeve played better than we did and deserved to win. It is always difficult to say goodbye to the Seniors. Katie Sims and Jody Seals showed great senior leadership this season and will be missed. Katie finished her career with 59 wins which places her in the top 5 in school history. Jody returned to the court this year after tearing her ACL and missing all of last season and played really well at #1 Doubles."

### Match 1

Northeast Dubois 4, Paoli 1

#1 Singles Chloe Terwiske (NED)

defeated Emma Osborne 6-4, 5-7, 6-2

#2 Singles Taylor Dodd (NED) defeated Faith Wilder 6-0, 6-1

#3 Singles Emily Leone (P) defeated Delaney Rasche 6-2, 6-0

#1 Doubles P. Knies/O. Rasche (NED) defeated C. Elliott/M. Shinkle 4-6, 6-4, 7-5

#2 Doubles O. Schroeing/A. Stafford (NED) defeated M. May/A. Warren 6-2, 6-1

### Match 2

Barr-Reeve 4, Loogootee 1

#1 Singles Natalie Schultheis (BR) defeated Melaina Tippery 5-7, 6-3, 6-3

#2 Singles Katie Sims (L) defeated Annie Graber 6-2, 6-3

#3 Singles Moriah Bullock (BR) defeated Emily Wade 6-4, 6-3

#1 Doubles K. Claridge/K. Mincey (BR) defeated Kashten Burch/Jody Seals 6-4, 3-6, 7-5

#2 Doubles B. Graber/G. Madison (BR) defeated Leonna Hedrick/Madison Wade 6-4, 6-3



-Photo provided

Pictured above are contest winners. In the front row, from left to right, are Karoline Tedrow 1<sup>st</sup> place, Asia Crim 2<sup>nd</sup> place and Maria Chestnut 3<sup>rd</sup> place. In the back row, from left to right, are Lisa Muench, and Heidi Weaver, County Outreach & Advocacy Services with Middle Way House, Inc.; Elizabeth Christmas, Youth First Social Worker; and Andrea Huff, Loogootee High School Principal.

## Middle Way House announces winners of 2018 Teen Dating Violence Awareness Essay Contest

The Martin County Outreach office of Middle Way House, Inc. hosted an essay contest to raise awareness about teen dating violence for local students in grades 7-12. The students were given a packet which contained excerpts from books centering on teen dating violence. The goal of this essay contest was to engage students in conversations about teen dating violence, encourage critical thinking, and to help students identify and recognize signs and patterns of dating violence and dating abuse.

A \$100 Visa Cash gift card was awarded to first place winner, Karoline Tedrow; a \$50 card was awarded to second place winner, Asia Crim; and a \$25 card was awarded to 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner, Maria Chestnut. All three students are freshmen and attend Loogootee Junior High School.

This was the second year Middle Way House invited students to participate in the Essay Contest. Middle Way House plans to continue to offer the contest in future years.

The following businesses sponsored the contest with their donations: Blake Car Wash, Blake Funeral Home, Jones Oil Company, Loughmiller Machine, Tool & Design, Inc.; and Old National Bank, Loogootee Branch.

Middle Way House is a non-profit agency serving survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking across six counties. Middle Way House is based in Bloomington, but also has three county outreach offices in Greene, Owen and Martin counties. You can reach the Martin County office at 812-295-2993. Middle Way House also does prevention programming in schools and has provided the Building Healthy Relationships program to Loogootee Schools for the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years.

Young adult dating violence is a big problem, affecting youth in every community across the nation. Learn the facts below.

Below are some statistics from

loveisrespect.org a website dedicated to ending dating violence among teens.

### Too Common

Nearly 1.5 million high school students nationwide experience physical abuse from a dating partner in a single year.

One in three adolescents in the U.S. is a victim of physical, sexual, emotional or verbal abuse from a dating partner, a figure that far exceeds rates of other types of youth violence.

One in 10 high school students has been purposefully hit, slapped or physically hurt by a boyfriend or girlfriend.

### Long-Lasting Effects

Violent relationships in adolescence can have serious ramifications by putting the victims at higher risk for substance abuse, eating disorders, risky sexual behavior and further domestic violence.

Being physically or sexually abused makes teen girls six times more likely to become pregnant and twice as likely to get a STI.

Half of youth who have been victims of both dating violence and rape attempt suicide, compared to 12.5 percent of non-abused girls and 5.4 percent of non-abused boys.

### Lack of Awareness

Only 33 percent of teens who were in a violent relationship ever told anyone about the abuse.

Eighty-one (81) percent of parents believe teen dating violence is not an issue or admit they don't know if it's an issue.

Though 82 percent of parents feel confident that they could recognize the signs if their child was experiencing dating abuse, a majority of parents (58 percent) could not correctly identify all the warning signs of abuse.

If you or someone you know is experiencing abuse help is available. Call the 24/7 Crisis Line at 812-336-0846 or you can also call the local office at 812-295-2993 to make an appointment to speak to an advocate. All services are free and confidential.



## Loogootee Students/Staff of May

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Loogootee Elementary recently chose their students and staff members of the month for May. In the front row, from left to right, are Liam Kluesner, Claire Wolfe, and Casper Rice. In the second row, from left to right, are Austin Willis, Skyler Hudson, Rhett Whitney, Abbi Bradley, and Declen Arvin. In the back row, from left to right, are Aubrey Gilbert, Dax Lee, Mrs. Amber Smith, and Mason Britton.

## Specials at The Lodge

Wednesday: Country Fried Steak

Thursday: Pork Chops

Friday: Salmon Patties

Friday night: Surf and Turf

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Saturday night: Blue Gill

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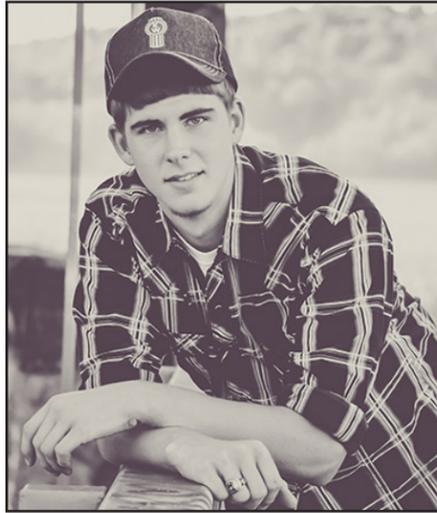
# LOOGOOTEE HIGH SCHOOL

## 2018 Senior SPOTLIGHTS



**KRISTIN NORRIS**

Kristin Elizabeth Norris is the daughter of Angie Boyd and Chris Norris. After graduation, Kristin plans to attend University of Evansville and is undecided on a major. While in high school, Kristin participated in Beta Club (9-12), Cadet Teaching (12), Choir (9,10), FACS (9-12), FCA (9), Intern (9), Lionettes (9-12), Lion Pride (9,10,12), Peers (9), Recycling (9), SADD (9-12), Show Choir (12), Spanish Club (9-12), Student Council (9-12), and Volleyball (9). Kristin was also Beta historian (12), SADD class rep (9-12), Lionettes captain (12), Choir vice president (12), and Spanish vice president (12).



**JALEN PEARSON**

Jalen M Pearson is the son of Melanie Wilson. After graduation, Jalen plans on going to Lineman school in Georgia after graduation. While in high school Jalen participated in Cadet Teaching (11), Intern (12), Intramural Basketball (9-12), Twin Rivers (11), and FFA (10-12). Jalen was also a participant of the Loogootee High School Baseball Team (9).



**BRIANNA PRICE**

Brianna Jane Price is the daughter of Doug and Mary Price. After graduation, Brianna plans to attend University of Southern Indiana to study dental hygiene or education. While in high school, she participated in Choir (9-12), Musical (9-12), and SADD (9-12). Brianna also participated in Show Choir (11,12) and was a member of the Academic team (12).



**CARSON RAYHILL**

Carson Jack Rayhill is the son of Kelly Rayhill and Heather Campbell. After graduation, Carson plans to attend Xavier University for Finance. While in high school, he participated in Band (9-12), Beta Club (9,10,12), Choir (12), Musical (9,10,11,12), Spell Bowl (9,10,12), Peers(9), Student Council (9), Spanish Club (9,10,12), Academic Team (9,10,12), Golf (9,10), and Tennis (9). He was also Class President (9), Class Secretary (12), and Class Vice President (10), Students for Life President (10,12), Spanish Club Treasurer (9,10), Spanish Club President (12), and Jazz Choir Vice President (12).



**BRYCEN REINHART**

Brycen D.W. Reinhart is the son of Daniel Reinhart and Misty Hardwick. After graduation, Brycen plans to attend Vincennes University to study to be a Physical Therapist Assistant. While in high school, he participated in Choir (9), Cadet Teacher (12), and Intern (12). Brycen also participated in Baseball (9-12).



**KIMBERLY ROGERS**

Kimberly Rogers is the daughter of Rebecca Nance and Timothy Rogers. She plans to attend the University of Southern Indiana for psychology. While in high school, Kimberly participated in the Right to Life Club, Cadet Teach (10,11), and Student Council (9,10)



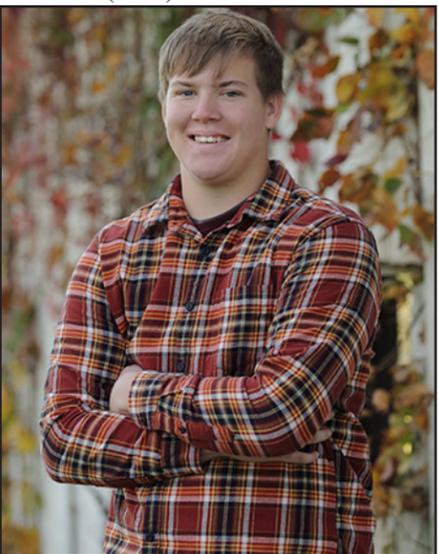
**JODY SEALS**

Jody Rene Seals is the daughter of Mike and Sheri Seals. After graduation, Jody plans to attend The University of Indianapolis to study Occupational Therapy. While in high school, Jody participated in Spanish Club (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), SADD (9, 10, 11), FACS (9), Lion Pride (9-12), Peers (9), and Student Council (9, 10, 12). Jody was Spanish Club Historian (12), and SADD Class Representative (12). Jody also participated in Basketball (9-12), Volleyball (9-12), and Tennis (9-12).



**HALLE SHEETZ**

Halle Rose Sheetz is the daughter of Mr. Kurt Sheetz and Mrs. Kelly Lee. After graduation, Halle plans on attending the University of Southern Indiana to pursue her Bachelors degree in the Science of Nursing and a higher education. While in high school, Halle participated in Band (9), Recycling Club (9, 10), the Twin Rivers Program (12), Beta Club (12), Choir (11), French Club (9, 10, 11), Cadet Teaching (12), and Student Council (9), Softball (9, 10, 11).



**LEIGHTON SEALS**

Leighton S. Seals is the son of Scott Seals and Lori Mattingly. After graduation, Leighton plans to attend college to study forensic psychology. While in high school, Leighton participated in intramural basketball (11,12), choir (9-12), show choir (10,11), cadet teaching (11), intern (12), Lion Pride Club (9), baseball (9-12), and basketball (9,10).



**KATIE SIMS**

Katie C. Sims is the daughter of Mark and Krista Sims. After graduation, Katie plans to attend Indiana University to enter the medical field. While in high school, Katie participated in Spanish Club (9-12), Beta Club (9-12), Choir (9-12), Lionettes (10-12), Musical (10-12), SADD (9-12), Cadet Teaching (12), FACS (9-12), Lion Pride (9-12), Show Choir (9, 10), and Student Council (9-12). Katie was also Class Treasurer (11), Student Council Secretary (12), and SADD Vice President (12). Katie participated in Volleyball (9, 10) and Tennis (9-12).



**ELIZABETH STOLL**

Elizabeth Mae Stoll is the daughter of Brad and Tracy Stoll. After graduation, Elizabeth plans to pursue a degree in nursing but is currently undecided on a university. While in high school, Elizabeth participated in Beta Club (9-12), Cadet Teaching (12), FACS (9), French Club (9-11), Lion Pride (9), Musical (10), Peers (9), Recycling (9, 10), Student Council (9, 10), Twin Rivers (11), Softball (9, 10), and Track (9, 10).

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## NRC grants final adoption to amended biennial wildlife rules package

The Natural Resources Commission voted unanimously today to withdraw a rule proposal that would have authorized a bobcat hunting and trapping season, and another proposal that would have required nuisance wild animal control permit holders to euthanize raccoons, opossums and coyotes.

Proposed changes to other rules that involved the possession or sale of bobcats were also withdrawn from the DNR's biennial wildlife rules package. A modification was given to some language (in 312 IAC 9-10-11) governing reporting requirements for nuisance wild animal control permit holders.

After making these amendments, the NRC granted final adoption to the rules package, which includes a number of amendments to 312 IAC 9, which governs rules relating to wildlife.

The actions took place at the NRC's regularly scheduled meeting at Fort Harrison State Park.

The NRC granted preliminary adoption to the original biennial rules package in September 2017, starting the rule-change process.

The most significant of the wildlife rule amendments that were granted final adoption as part of the rules package include:

- Allowing the hides and carcasses of legally harvested furbearers taken during the season to be kept year-round by hunters and trappers without a special authorization or permit.

- Adding several bats and the rufa red knot (a federally threatened bird) to the state's endangered-species list.

- Removing the osprey and several mussels from the state's endangered species list.

- Adding Elkhart, Kosciusko and Noble counties to the fall wild turkey firearms hunting season.

The rule package that was presented to the NRC today is on the NRC's website is at [nrc.IN.gov/files/Ex\\_H.pdf](http://nrc.IN.gov/files/Ex_H.pdf). It does not reflect the changes made at today's meeting.

Once the rule package has been signed in its final approved form, it will be sent as a part of an assembled rule package to the Office of the Attorney General for review. The Office of the Attorney General has 45 days to conduct its review. Upon approval, the Office of the Attorney General will forward the proposed rule amendment to the Governor. The Governor then has 15 days, which may be extended by an additional 15 days, to approve or disapprove the rule package as it was forwarded to him. If the Governor neither approves or disapproves the rule package, it is deemed approved by statute. The rule package, if approved or deemed approved, is then filed with the publisher (the Legislative Services Agency). In most cases a rule becomes effective 30 days after it is accepted for filing by the publisher.

During the meeting, the NRC also approved Glacier's End, in Johnson County, as a new nature preserve. The action increases to 285 the number of state-designated sites protected by the Nature Preserves Act.

Glacier's End Nature Preserve covers 298 acres and lies approximately 3 miles south of Trafalgar, in the county's southwest portion, within the Brown County Hills Section of the Highland

Rim Natural Region. The land borders Laura Hare Preserve at Blossom Hollow and Bob's Woods Conservation Easement. The new designation extends the amount of contiguous forestland where the Wisconsinan Glaciation ran into the Brown County Hills to more than 550 acres.

Central Indiana Land Trust, Inc. owns and will manage Glacier's End Nature Preserve. The Benjamin Harrison Conservation Trust assisted with acquisition of the nature preserve.

In other actions, the NRC ...

- Considered petitions to establish or increase slip rental rates for the 2019 boating season that were filed with the Commission by Fourwinds Resort and Marina operated on Monroe Lake, and Hoosier Hills Marina operated on Patoka Lake. The Commission approved the findings and recommendation of the hearing officer. The Commission's findings and recommendations will be forwarded to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for final approval.

- Accepted the hearing officer's report as the report of the Commission on the Petition for Formation of Lake George Conservancy District. The Lake George Conservancy District is being proposed for purposes of (1) flood prevention and control, and (2) the operation, maintenance, and improvement of a work of improvement for water-based recreational purposes. The Commission's report will be filed with the Steuben County Circuit Court for consideration in Case #76C01-1711-MI-000330.

The NRC is an autonomous board that addresses topics pertaining to the DNR. More details on these actions are available at [nrc.IN.gov/2354.htm](http://nrc.IN.gov/2354.htm) under "May Agenda."

The NRC is a 12-member board that includes the DNR director, heads of three other state agencies (Environmental Management, Tourism Development, and Transportation), six citizens appointed by the governor on a bipartisan basis, the chair of the DNR's advisory council, and the president of the Indiana Academy of Science. The Academy of Science president and the agency heads, other than the DNR director, may appoint proxies to serve the commission in their absences.

### Osprey watch at Patoka Lake, June 23

Look for ospreys by boat and by car at Patoka Lake during a special program on June 23. The osprey watch runs from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Ospreys are a unique, migratory raptor that frequents Indiana during breeding season and returns to South America for winter. DNR nongame bird biologist Allisyn Gillet will share information about the state's osprey reintroduction program and how the species has made a remarkable return.

Cost is \$15 per person and includes a provided lunch. Advance registration is required by calling the Patoka Lake Nature Center at 812-685-2447. This event is limited to 55 people.

Dress for the weather and don't forget to bring binoculars, spotting scopes and cameras.

Patoka Lake ([stateparks.IN.gov/2953.htm](http://stateparks.IN.gov/2953.htm)) is at 3084 N. Dillard Road, Birdseye, IN 47513.



The garden seems to have gone into fast forward this week. The lingering cool weather had delayed the blooming of some plants and had allowed some blooms to last longer than normal. The hot weather last week seemed to change everything quickly. Plant growth has been rapid, as anyone who has to mow a lawn can attest.

Spring is always a busy time for gardeners and this period of rapid growth has just added to the work to be done. Generally, the first time I cut back species mums and tall sedums is in early June. However, those plants are taller than usual for this time, so I began cutting back the mums this weekend. This will help prevent the plants from getting too tall and splaying, or falling down, becoming unattractive. It also causes the plants to become bushier and delays blooming. These cuttings may be used to grow more plants. Both mums and sedum root easily and as long as the varieties are not patented, you may put those cuttings into a moist growing medium, where roots will form in a couple of weeks. Those extra plants may be used to fill in holes or fill empty pots.

There are many other plants that will benefit from being cut back at this time. It will delay blooming, but the plants will be sturdier. Coneflowers, black-eyed Susans, ironweed, asters and many other plants respond well to being reduced at this time. Selective pruning may also help lengthen the bloom time of some plants. One may simply cut back half of the stems in a clump. The stems that are uncut, will bloom earlier, while the cut stems will become bushier and will bloom later. The later blooms may be smaller, but more numerous. This technique is particularly effective on heleniums, blanket flowers and black-eyed Susans.

### Snake fungal disease identified in Indiana

An emerging fungal disease lethal to some snakes has been found in Indiana.

Snake fungal disease, caused by the fungus, *Ophidiomyces ophiodiicola*, is not a risk to people, but in snakes it can cause facial swelling, disfigurement, skin and scale lesions, internal lesions and death. A team of researchers led by Matt Allender and Sarah Baker of the University of Illinois discovered the disease during surveillance in late 2017. Researchers swabbed the skin of 53 snakes from Indiana and identified the fungus in 13 of them. Two of the 13 had visible lesions. Species that tested positive included Northern watersnake, racer, milk snake and queen snake.

Sampling has occurred in 10 Indiana counties and will resume this year.

The fungus is an emerging pathogen identified in many diverse species of captive and free-ranging snakes in more than 20 states so far. It can persist in the soil. How the disease spreads is unknown, but it may occur through contact with soil, other infected snakes, or from mother to offspring.

Snake fungal disease may cause high mortality rates in Eastern massasauga rattlesnakes, a federally threatened and state-endangered species that lives in scattered locations in northern Indiana. The potential long-term effect on mas-

In the vegetable garden, advancement has also been rapid. I had planted potatoes on Good Friday, as is the custom, but they did not sprout for several weeks. I feared that the tubers had rotted, but I finally saw some green appearing. Within two weeks, the plants have matured to the point that buds are forming. I grow potatoes in a bin and I have filled in around the plants with shredded leaves and compost. This method makes for easy "digging" at harvest time.

The raised beds are filling rapidly. As plants move from the greenhouse to the beds, I surround them with shredded paper mulch. This helps to keep moisture levels more constant and cuts down on weeding. While the small tomato plants do not seem to need stakes yet, it is best to put them in now, so the root systems will not be disturbed later. I have come to prefer the spiral stakes. It takes some diligence in checking them often to ensure the plants follow the spirals as they grow, but it does make picking the tomatoes easier than having to reach through the traditional tomato cages. Most of the time, the plants climb the spirals well, but occasionally, I use strips of cloth to tie a plant securely to the stake.

I have also placed a cattle panel in a bed. It has been bent to form an arch, on which the cucumbers will grow. It is much easier to pick the cucumbers from such a trellis than to try to find them amid the leaves when the vines are allowed to ramble across the ground.

The reward for the work and planning is fresh vegetables. The salad greens and onions planted earlier this spring are ready to eat. Nothing says spring to a Hoosier gardener better than that first dinner of wilted lettuce and onions. Tasty!

sasauga and other snake populations remains uncertain.

Learn more about snake fungal disease at [wildlife.IN.gov/9704.htm](http://wildlife.IN.gov/9704.htm).

Other emerging fungal diseases, including white-nose syndrome in bats and chytridiomycosis in amphibians, have been implicated in population declines of numerous species.

Snakes are important predators. They play a critical role in maintaining a balanced ecosystem and keeping rodent populations in check.

Monitoring fungal disease in Indiana snakes will help biologists develop conservation and management plans.

This snake fungal disease surveillance project was funded by a state wildlife grant.

Conservation of nongame and endangered species in Indiana is supported by donations to the Indiana Nongame Wildlife Fund. To donate, visit [wildlife.IN.gov/3316.htm](http://wildlife.IN.gov/3316.htm)

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## More Neat Stuff

By Ann Ackerman



Weird but True: While you are sitting there, lift your right foot and turn it in small circles. While you are doing that, take your right hand and write the number 6 in the air. Your foot will change directions!

### THOUGHT PROVOKERS:

\*Before we work on artificial intelligence, why don't we do something about natural stupidity?

\*It's never too late for you to be who you might have been.

\*Worrying is stupid. It's like walking around under an umbrella waiting for it to rain.

\*Problems are like washing machines. They twist, spin, and knock us around, but in the end, we come out cleaner, brighter, and better than before.

\*The real test is being kind to unkind people.

\*Sometimes not saying anything is the best answer. You see, silence can never be misquoted.

\*A bird sitting on a tree is never afraid of the branch breaking because her trust is not on the branch but on its own wings. Always believe in yourself.

\*It's the Law of Common Sense – If too many people enjoy the free ride . . . and not enough people help pull, the wagon is not going anywhere!

\*Good judgment comes from experience, and experience ... well, that comes from poor judgment.

### HUMOR PROVOKERS:

\*My fitness goal is to weigh what I told the DMV I weigh.

\*Sure, I want buns of steel, but I want buns of cinnamon more.

\*One day I want someone to look at me and say, "That's her. She's the one," and not follow it with "Who ate all the doughnuts."

\*I hope I get old enough to lose track of how old I am.

\*Whenever I'm feeling fat, I try not to stress about it and just keep my chins up.

\*Some of us are depending heavily on our personalities because these summer body missions just ain't working out.

\*I think I may need professional help . . . a chef, a butler, and a maid should do it.

\*I never make the same mistake twice. I make it five or six times just to be sure.

\*One day you're 23, staying up til 3 a.m., eating pizza, and dancing like no one is watching . . . then suddenly you're 35, eating kale, going to bed at 8 p.m., and you can't dance because you pulled a muscle putting on your socks.

\*My wife says I only have two faults: I don't listen and some other stuff she was rattling on about.

\*What do you call a cow who just recently had its baby? Decalfinated

\*Right now, chocolate is good for you and Romaine lettuce can kill you. I have been preparing for this moment my whole life.

\*I don't have all, not even some, of my ducks in a row . . . but they're all in the same pond, so I have that going for me, which is cool.

\*When I was a child I thought Nap Time was a punishment ... now, as a grown up, it just feels like a small vacation.

\*Even duct tape can't fix stupid ... but it can muffle the sound.

\*Why do I have to press one for English when you're just gonna transfer me to someone I can't understand anyway?

\*I'm not short. I'm just more down to earth than most people.

\*Don't mind me. I'm just returning your nose. I found it in my business again.

A teacher asked her students to use the word "beans" in a sentence.

"My father grows beans," said one girl.

"My mother cooks beans," said a boy.

A third student spoke up, "We are all human beans."

Make someone smile today!

## MCCF Grantseeker Meeting is June 5

The Martin County Community Foundation will offer information about the 2018 Impact Grant Cycle on Tuesday, June 5 at the Community Learning Center on the Martin County 4-H fairgrounds.

Details of the 2018 grant cycle will be shared, and the grant application will be reviewed beginning at 4 p.m. in the meeting room. A question and answer session for new and experienced grantseekers will follow.

Grant applications will also be available at the new MCCF office in the

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Loogootee School Board meeting

The Loogootee School Board will meet Thursday, May 17 at 5 p.m. in the meeting room off the superintendent's office. The meeting is open to the public.

### Food pantry hours

The Loogootee United Methodist Food Pantry will be open the first, second, third and fifth Thursdays of the month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and also the first Monday of the month from 5-6:30 p.m.

### Free lunch for kids

New Beginnings Community Church will be offering a free lunch to all school-age children every Saturday from noon to 1 p.m. at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 200 West Main Street next to the post office. For more info, call 812-709-2525.

### SOAR Tutoring

Need Skills? SOAR tutors can help! Free and confidential. Call or text Karen at 812-709-1618 to learn more. Located in the Martin County Community Learning Center Improve Your Skills, Improve Your Life!

### Tourism meetings

The MCCC Tourism Committee meets on the third Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. at Loughmiller Machine, 12851 E 150 N, Loogootee. The public is invited to attend.

### Solid waste board

The Martin County Solid Waste Board holds their monthly meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at the recycling center located at 500 Industrial Park Drive in Loogootee. The meetings are open to the public and anyone is invited to attend.

### Soil and Water meetings

The Martin County SWCD meets the third Monday of the month at the SWCD office located at Martin County Learning Center. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays except Thursdays when it is closed. Visit [www.mar-tincounty.org](http://www.mar-tincounty.org)

Community Learning Center and online beginning Tuesday, June 12 for organizations unable to attend the meeting.

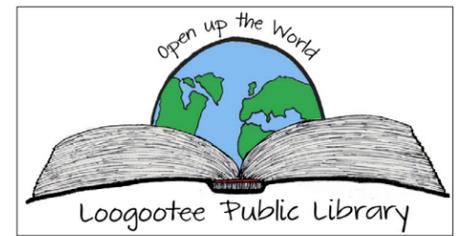
The Martin County Community Foundation Impact Grant Cycle is open to 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations, governmental entities, and educational institutions serving the residents of Martin County.

To RSVP for the meeting, call (812) 295-1022 or email [mccf@cfpartner.org](mailto:mccf@cfpartner.org) by Friday, June 1, 2018.

[tinswcd.com](http://tinswcd.com) or call at 295-3149.

### Attention Senior Citizens

The Loogootee Senior Citizen Center, located in the annex building attached to JFK Gym on JFK Avenue in Loogootee provides activities for seniors every Monday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to noon. For \$5 a year, seniors can participate in Euchre tournaments, games, puzzles, etc., with other local seniors. Anyone interested is welcome to stop by, there are no age or residency requirements to participate. Seniors are also offered lunch at the Loogootee Senior Center every Monday and Thursday. A freewill donation is requested. Call 812-295-3130 to make a reservation.



### BY DARLA WAGLER

Librarian, Loogootee Public Library

Registration is now open for the 2018 Libraries Rock summer reading program. Friends of Loogootee Public Library (FOLL), German American Bank, and Old National Bank are this year's sponsors. The program is open to all area kids, teens, and adults and the grand prizes are a Children's Echo Dot or \$75 Visa Gift Card for kids and an Echo Dot for Teen/Adult reader. Of course, we will have incentive prizes for kids to encourage them to read throughout the summer. This year we will partner with PAWS Club and will have programs during the day at the elementary school see our monthly activity calendar. Silly Safari animal show will be at the German American Bank on June 26 at 6 p.m. The Rope Warrior will do a fun program at the elementary school on July 2 at 10:30. There are so many fun activities planned for all ages so stop by the library to register and get all the fun details.

The Phase II environmental came back clear and Environmental Management, the company we paid to do the environmental assessment will include the findings in their narrative. Currently, we are waiting on the Architectural Feasibility Report to be submitted to Rural Development for review. This is the last phase of the process before submitting the USDA loan application.

June 2, 2018 from 8-12 will be a Yard/Book/Bake Sale at the library sponsored by Friends of Loogootee Library. There are a lot of nice books, DVDs, household items, upholstery fabric, toys, shoes, and much more. There will be fresh Kountry Lane Bakery doughnuts available for a suggested donation of \$10 per dozen.

### NEW BOOKS:

Fiction: "The Outsider" by Stephen King.

DVDs: "Black Lightning" and "Samson".

The library hours are Monday and Tuesday 10-7, Wednesday closed, Thursday and Friday 10-5 and Saturday 9-1. The phone number is 812-295-3713 or check out the website [www.loogootee.lib.in.us](http://www.loogootee.lib.in.us) or like us on Facebook. The library has free Wi-Fi service available for patrons.

## ANIMAL SHELTER *Pets of the Week*



IT'S KITTEN SEASON. Stop by the shelter to see all the available kittens! The Martin County Humane Society Animal Shelter is located at 507 N. Oak Street in Loogootee. Shelter hours are Monday and Wednesday 5-7 p.m. and Saturday 11 a.m.-2 p.m. To see all available animals, visit [www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org](http://www.humanesocietyofmartincounty.org).

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